

Budget, both of Washington, D.C.; and Mark Blyth, Brown University Watson Institute for International Studies, Providence, Rhode Island.

#### **NATIONWIDE PUBLIC SAFETY WIRELESS BROADBAND NETWORK**

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine a nationwide public safety wireless broadband network, including preliminary information on FirstNet's efforts to establish a nationwide broadband network, after receiving testimony from Bruce H. Andrews, Deputy Secretary, and Todd J. Zinser, Inspector General, both of the Department of Commerce; Mark L. Goldstein, Director, Physical Infrastructure Issues, Government Accountability Office; G. Keith Bryant, Oklahoma City Fire Department Chief, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, on behalf of the International Association of Fire Chiefs; and Sue Swenson, First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), Reston, Virginia.

#### **CLEAN POWER PLANT**

*Committee on Environment and Public Works:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine state regulators' perspectives on the clean power plan, after receiving testimony from Ellen Nowak, Wisconsin Public Service Commission Chairperson, Madison; Todd Parfitt, Wyoming Department of Environmental Quality Director, Cheyenne; Thomas Easterly, Indiana Department of Environmental Management Commissioner, Indianapolis; Mary Nichols, California Air Resources Board Chairman, Sac-

ramento; and Michael J. Myers, Office of New York State Attorney General Environmental Protection Bureau Assistant Attorney General, Albany.

#### **USE OF FORCE AGAINST ISIS**

*Committee on Foreign Relations:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the President's request for authorization to use force against the Islamic State of Iraq and Syria (ISIS), focusing on military and diplomatic efforts, after receiving testimony from John Kerry, Secretary of State; and Ash Carter, Secretary, and General Martin Dempsey, Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, both of the Department of Defense.

#### **NOMINATION**

*Committee on Indian Affairs:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nomination of Jonodev Osceola Chaudhuri, of Arizona, to be Chairman of the National Indian Gaming Commission, after the nominee testified and answered questions in his own behalf.

#### **NOMINATIONS**

*Committee on the Judiciary:* Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Kara Farnandez Stoll, of Virginia, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Federal Circuit, and Roseann A. Ketchmark, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Missouri, who was introduced by Senators Blunt and McCaskill, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet in Pro Forma session at 11 a.m. on Friday, March 13, 2015.

### *Committee Meetings*

No hearings were held.

### *Joint Meetings*

No joint committee meetings were held.

### **COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2015**

*(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)*

#### **Senate**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for the Secretary of the Senate, the Senate Sergeant at Arms, and the Capitol Police, 9:45 a.m., SD-124.

Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed budget estimates and justification for fiscal year 2016 for the Food and Drug Administration, 10 a.m., SD-138.

Subcommittee on Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies, to hold hearings to examine proposed

budget estimates for fiscal year 2016 for the Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Marshals Service, Drug Enforcement Administration, and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives; to be followed by a closed session in SVC-217 at approximately 12 p.m., 10 a.m., SD-192.

*Committee on Armed Services:* to hold hearings to examine U.S. Northern Command and U.S. Southern Command in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program; with the possibility of a closed session in SVC-217 following the open session, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Subcommittee on Strategic Forces, to receive a closed briefing on missile defense programs in review of the Defense Authorization Request for fiscal year 2016 and the Future Years Defense Program, 2:30 p.m., SVC-217.

*Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation:* Subcommittee on Space, Science, and Competitiveness, to hold hearings to examine the President's proposed budget request for fiscal year 2016 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

*Committee on Energy and Natural Resources:* to hold hearings to examine S. 556, to protect and enhance opportunities for recreational hunting, fishing, and shooting, 10 a.m., SD-366.

*Committee on Finance:* to hold hearings to examine protecting taxpayers from schemes and scams during the 2015 tax filing season, 10 a.m., SD-215.

*Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs:* to hold hearings to examine the Visa Waiver Program, focusing on implications for United States national security, 10 a.m., SD-342.

*Select Committee on Intelligence:* business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 2:30 p.m., SH-219.

*Special Committee on Aging:* to hold hearings to examine how prepared Americans are for retirement, 10:30 a.m., SD-562.

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No hearings are scheduled.